



Habitat reclamation, Scott's Pond



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Ben Zimmerman (above) of the Southern Ute wildlife division coordinated with a small excavator at Scott's Pond, performing required maintenance to the recreation area. The aquatic revitalization project will create better habitat and improved fishing conditions both underwater and along the shoreline. The infrastructure for maintaining the water levels will also be upgraded in the process. While most of the major dirt work was performed by Matthew Box through construction services, Preston Abeyta (top photo), soil conservation technician with the Tribe's water resources division, was called in to help oversee the final steps of the project. Crews worked to prep- seal the pond with Bentonite on Wednesday, Jan. 25.

Restoring, protecting an icon



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Bison manager, Chris Olguin called in a repair to one of the existing mounts on display in the Hall of Warriors. Mike Francavilla, Mountain Air Taxidermy, Pagosa Springs, worked off a ladder to artfully restore the mount to its former condition. The bison is one that was selected from the Tribe's own herd, and the original work was performed by Francavilla. Restoration took place on Wednesday, Feb 1.

Young artists corner



photos courtesy Avaleena Nanaeto

The sun is rising and the Academy kids pray and say the Pledge of Allegiance.

Young Artists Corner is a feature of The Southern Ute Drum. Each issue, it highlights the artistic work — photography, drawing, painting or otherwise — of a local youth. Submissions are encouraged for the newspaper; email (high resolution) to Drum editor Ace Stryker at astryker@southern-ute.nsn.us. Submissions are run in the order they're received.

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